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MARK KROON, et al.

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For: LITHOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD, AND DEVICE
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Sir:

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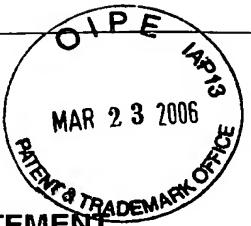
The patent references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information. Applicants note that U.S. Patent No. 5,696,623 is already of record.

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